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We cannot extend credit to you on feed sales.

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H. G. SMITH, - MANAGER

Reaches Majority.

On Monday evening, August 2nd, the friends and neighbors gathered to give Francis E. Padgugam a surprise, the occasion being his 21st birthday. The surprise was complete and Francis has not fully recovered yet.

After the games which took the form of lawn games for the younger set, and more staid ones for the elders, a bouffe luncheon of ice cream and cake were served.

Occupying the center of the table was a birthday cake made in the form of a pyramid of four tiers, representing four periods of his life. The nine candles of the lower tier represented nine happy years in old Wisconsin; seven candles on the next tier represented seven years in Oklahoma; three in the next tier represented the three years in Kansas, at college; and two on the top represented the last two years in Oklahoma.

The remainder of the meeting was spent in singing and distributing the birthday cake, and in departing in the wee small hours the guests gave several yells among which was, "He's all right—Who's all right—Francis" but Francis responded, "Everybody here."

He was made the recipient of a fine saddle as a memoir of the occasion.

Those present were: Messrs. Byron Vaughn, W. W. Brunskill, J. W. Brunskill, J. Fitzgerald, A. L. Roberts, Thos. E. Bills, T. Ryan, R. J. Murphy, W. F. Wolcott, J. F. King, Edward Buckley, Perley Bennett, Edward Brown, Joseph Brown, Howard King, Ernest King, Paul Baker, and Masters Hollis Brunskill, Thos. Murphy, T. A. Vaughn, and John Ryan.

Messrs. Vaughn, W. W. Brunskill, J. W. Brunskill, Fitzgerald, Bills, Ryan, Murphy, W. F. Wolcott, King, and the Misses Ruth Ribelin, Ethel Bills, Sarah McAnaw, Elizabeth Brown, Rose Brown, Lillian Perot, Mary Brown, Maud Baker, Hallie King, and the little Misses Beulah Wolcott, Nellie and Mary Ryan.

Discuss Auto Accidents.

The town board met in regular session Monday evening. There was very little business before the board, except quite a lengthy discussion was had as to how to keep the children of the town from getting hurt or killed on the streets, which was brought about by the accident to the Braddy girl last week.

Therefore we kindly ask the parents not to allow their children to play ball or any other games on the streets, then these accidents will not occur in the future. We will not take away from the children the pleasure of playing but there are so many vacant lots where they can play where they will be safe. So will you be so kind and do that to avoid any further accidents.

Town Board.

New Paper At Fletcher.

The Fletcher Times has been combined with the Comanche County Times, which is being published at Lawton by C. E. Miller, former editor of the Fletcher Times. A new paper is being started at Fletcher with Waldo Wettengel as publisher, the first issue of which will appear on Friday of this week, under the name of the Fletcher Enterprise.

County News.

In county court at Lawton Leo Turner was convicted of bootlegging for the third time so Judge Ray gave him the extreme penalty, six months in jail and \$500 fine.

Mack Neal was arrested at Lawton for cursing on the streets; he gave a cash bond which was forfeited.

Burned To Death.

Mrs. Artie King, wife of Laurence C. King, was so badly burned at her home on the Chas. Bailey farm between Elgin and Fletcher about 7 o'clock Tuesday evening that she died from the effects about 1:15 o'clock Wednesday morning. She was conscious up until she died but did not seem to be in much pain.

She had not been in good health lately and thought that a trip to her parents at Nacoma, Texas, might benefit her health. Her husband was in Elgin about 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon consulting with a physician in regard to her making the trip and was advised that it might be good for her.

He went home and talked it over with her and they decided to leave on the night train for Texas, via Lawton. She lay down and slept for about an hour while he fanned her. She awoke feeling stronger to start on the trip. Upon after she took suddenly worse and he ran about 100 yards west to the railroad track and called for Mrs. A. Horstman, a neighbor, to come.

As he was going he saw his wife run into a yard with her clothes on fire. He hastened to her and put out the flames calling for help, which was heard by E. A. Murray, Mrs. H. L. King, and Mrs. E. P. Harrel, neighbors living from one fourth to three fourths mile away. Nearly all her clothes were burned off and with a sheet wrapped around her she walked to the home of A. Horstman, where she died.

Her illness seems to have made her irritable, as she had poured some coal oil from a stove, poured it on her clothes and set fire to it. While going to Mr. Horstman's she began to realize what she had done and was able to recall just how she did it.

Funeral services will be conducted about four o'clock this afternoon at the Elgin cemetery by Rev. Poe of Apache, who is the minister that baptized her; interment in the Elgin cemetery.

Artie Holland was born July 15, 1892, and was 23 years and 19 days old. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Holland of Nacoma, Texas. On Aug. 22, 1909, she was united in marriage with Laurence C. King, son of W. F. King, and have lived in this community since.

About one month ago her parents, five sisters and three brothers were here from Nacoma, Texas, visiting them. They were called over the phone Tuesday evening and informed of the sad news, leaving on the night train for Elgin to attend the funeral.

At The Show.

Among those from here attending the show in Lawton Saturday night were: W. F. Wolcott and wife, T. R. Bennett, wife and son Perley, Byron Vaughn and family, A. L. Roberts, Claud Wiggins, Misses Cleo Harney, Ruth Ribelin and Ethel Bills.

Preaching Sunday Morning.

A card received Tuesday from Rev. D. L. Hineckley states that he will return from Merriek the last of this week and will preach in Elgin Sunday morning, beginning the revival at Beaver Bend in the evening.

Mountaineering.

H. L. Cremer and wife, J. E. Byrd and wife, Misses Linda Crawford and Dora Wolcott, and Monte Bennett and Waldo Wettengel went out to the mountains Thursday night for an outing.

Methodist ladies aid meets on Thursday with Mrs. Wettengel.

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Woman Seriously Burned.

About 2 o'clock Monday afternoon Mrs. G. W. Gilbert, who was staying at the home of her father, W. F. Crook, south east of here, was so seriously burned that she has been suffering since and is not expected to live.

Just how the burning happened is not definitely known. Dr. J. F. Gamble was called to render medical relief. She was still conscious and told him that she did not know how it happened. She wore a calico dress at the time and this was burned completely off of her. She kept up a continuous scream which could be heard for one fourth mile away.

Not long ago her husband left her and she has worried considerably over the matter, so that some think because of the mental agony she sought self destruction.

Since the above was set, it has been learned that she tore up a catalogue and set fire to it, standing over the flame.

Advertised List.

The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the Elgin, Okla., postoffice August 1, 1915.

Jones, D.

Returned to Elgin Okla, R. F. D. 3.

Riehle, Earl.

In calling for the above please say "Advertised."

H. P. WETTENGEL, Postmaster.

Taking Free Rides.

Thursday noon a young fellow almost eaten up with disease was shipped here by the authorities at Chickasha, on the information that he had relatives here. The town officials phoned the chairman of the county board of health who told them the best thing to do was to ship him back to Chickasha, which they did on the 4 p. m. train.

Though he no doubt was in bad shape yet he knew how to play "possum" to a finish. When some men were approaching the depot he had his head up looking out the window. When they entered the depot there was nothing stirring and he was "almost dead." At other times he peeped away on cigarettes which were partly the cause of his condition.

Lower Court Sustained.

In a recent decision of the supreme court in the Humphries case the action of the lower court was sustained in rendering a verdict for Prof. Humphries. The court added that if there were no funds on hand payment on a warrant might be deferred until there were funds.

Frisco Train Changed.

On August 1, train No 112 east bound due in Elgin at 4 p. m., was changed to arrive here at 3:35 p. m., or 25 minutes earlier than formerly. The public will please take notice or some one will get left.

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